



A Federal Update on Division of Nursing Title VIII: Nursing Workforce Development Programs

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Division of Nursing Bureau of Health Professions, HRSA

Mission:

Provide leadership on policies and program initiatives that will promote the supply, skills and distribution of qualified nursing personnel needed to improve the health of the public.

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Goals:

- Enhance the composition, skills and distribution of the nursing workforce
- Assure program accountability through focused performance and outcomes assessment
- Increase diversity and cultural competence of the nursing workforce
- Promote effective communication with the public and stakeholders on nursing workforce development

Title VIII Grant Programs

Advanced Nursing Education Program	Provides program development and traineeship grants to schools of nursing for advanced nursing education.
Nurse Education, Practice, Quality & Retention Program	Provides support for projects to strengthen the nursing workforce, quality of care and practice, and improve nurse retention.
Nursing Workforce Diversity	Provides support for projects to increase opportunities for persons from disadvantaged backgrounds including racial and ethnic minorities to pursue nursing education.
Nurse Scholarship Program & Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program	Provides financial support to current and newly graduating pre-licensure and graduate-level nursing students.
Nurse Faculty Loan Program	Provides support to schools of nursing for loans to students enrolled in programs preparing nursing faculty to increase the number of qualified nursing faculty.
Comprehensive Geriatric Education Program	Provides program development and training support to schools of nursing to enhance geriatric education.



Advanced Nursing Education Program

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Advanced Nursing Education

- For fiscal year 2012

ANE program invites applications that include technology (e.g., simulation and telehealth) and inter-professional education in support of the enhancement of advanced nursing education and practice

- Applicants must:

Address the development and incorporation of technology into advanced nursing education; and

Be conducted within an interprofessional education model

Type of Applications

- New Competition Only
- One application per campus/university

Project Staff Qualification

- Project Director of the project: Doctorally prepared in Nursing (preferred) submits application & executes project. Must have appropriate credentials and experience to serve as a project director.
- Lead Faculty: National certification is preferred.
Has clinical expertise and experience as an educator

Reports

- Progress Report (non-competing continuation)
- New BHP_r Performance Measures



Advanced Education Nursing Traineeship

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Review and Selection Process

- The AENT Program will no longer be formula-based
- All eligible grant applications will be sent to a formal Objective Review Committee Meeting
- Applications recommended for funding will be awarded based on available appropriation and a Rank Order List

Change in Project Period

- Competition offered every other year
- Project Period

Two-years

Award Amount

- Award amount per school limit
\$350,000 per school per year

Change in the AENT Eligibility Programs

- Eligible programs:

Primary Care Nurse Practitioner

Nurse Midwifery

- Eligible students

May be within first or last 12 months of study

Change in the AENT Eligibility Programs (Cont.)

- Eligible students

Post-BSN to PhD

Post-BSN to DNP / DrNP

Post-Nursing Master's Certificate Programs in
Primary Care or Midwifery

Other Changes

- Stipend Level
 - \$22,000.00 per student per year
- Textbooks
 - \$1,500 per student per year
- Appointment of Trainees
 - Have or maintain a 3.0 GPA



Nurse Anesthesia Traineeship

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Eligibility Change

- First year nurse anesthetist students are now eligible
- Length of support increases from 18 months to 30 months

Stipend and Textbooks

- Stipend Level
 - \$22,000 per student per year
- Textbooks
 - \$1,500 per student per year

Other Revisions

- Applicants will now enter data for First Year NAT supported students on NAT Table 1
- New BHPPr Performance Measures

Will be due annually on August 30th



Nurse Faculty Loan Program (NFLP)

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New NFLP Application Process FY 2012

- Modified application process will reduce submission requirements for renewal NFLP applicant schools.
 - Renewal applicants are schools that currently operate an existing NFLP loan fund and will request additional NFLP funds
- Modified process will expedite the application review for renewal applicants.



2012 NFLP Application Process

New Applicants	Renewal Applicants
<p><u>Submit Phase 1 Application through Grants.gov.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Standard Form 424 R&R <i>(Not counted in page limit)</i> <p><u>Submit Phase 2 application through EHBs.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Project Abstract• Program Narrative• NFLP Program Specific Data Form <i>(Not counted in page limit)</i>• Accreditation/Approvals Documentation• Department of Education Letter• Collaborative Arrangement Letter• Biographical Sketch for Project Director• Funding Preference Request for Doctoral Student Support <p><u>Page Limit: 30 Pages</u></p>	<p><u>Submit Phase 1 Application through Grants.gov.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Standard Form 424 R&R <i>(Not counted in page limit)</i> <p><u>Submit Phase 2 application through EHBs.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Project Abstract• NFLP Program Specific Data Form <i>(Not counted in page limit)</i>• Accreditation* (If expiration will occur)• Biographical Sketch for Project Director• Nursing Program Changes or Additions <p><u>Page Limit: 10 Pages</u></p>

New NFLP Application Process FY 2012

- Renewal applicants must submit accreditation documentation only if school's applicable accreditation will expire during budget/project period.
- All applicants must provide a bio-sketch for the proposed Project Director not to exceed the 2 page limit.
- Renewal applicants must provide documentation for 'new' programs being added for NFLP support or any substantive change in curriculum to existing programs approved for NFLP support.

NFLP Technical Assistance Call

- A NFLP Technical Assistance Conference Call is scheduled for January 18, 2012 at 1:00pm (E.S.T)
- The purpose of the NFLP Technical Assistance conference call is to provide NFLP specific details about the renewal application process , share program updates and review BHPPr Performance Measures.

Nurse Education, Practice, Quality, and Retention Program

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Nurse Education, Practice, Quality, and Retention (NEPQR) Program Revisions

- FY 2012
 - NEPQR will initiate a three-year demonstration grants program for Interprofessional Practice
 - Schools of nursing and/or health care organizations may work together with other professions and schools on Interprofessional Practice projects

IPP Project Staff Qualifications and Reports Due

- Project Director
 - Have clinical expertise and experience leading teams
- Reports Due
 - Progress Report
 - New BHPR Performance Measures



Nursing Workforce Diversity Program

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Nursing Workforce Diversity Program

FY 2012

- NWD will not post the traditional FOA
- Awards will be made from the FY 2011 Rank Order List (ROL)
- 2012 awards will be made commensurate with the FY 2012 appropriations

Nursing Workforce Diversity Program

Reports Due

- Progress Report
- New BHPR Performance Measures



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